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Spatial Statistical Data Fusion of AIRS and CrIMSS Near Surface Temperature

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Goals

Create a near-surface temperature (NST) data set hyperspectral sounder observations
climate model evaluation
applications (?)

Fuse AIRS and CrIMSS

eventually include entire sounder network

Spatial-Statistical Data Fusion (SSDF, Nguyen et. al., 2012)

joint kriging with multiple data sets

exploits spatial covariances within and between input data sets.

accounts for different footprints, biases, variances of inputs

Reliable uncertainties on input data sets are required.

Data fusion of AIRS + CrIMSS CHART NST

Eastern US

8 months: [Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct] x [2013, 2015]

Fusion done on a daily basis, separately for day & night, 0.5° output grid

AIRS v6 IR+MW support product, DQ 0, 1

CrIMSS CHART IR+MW

1. Estimate bias and variance of AIRS and CrIMSS data, vs. NOAA ISD “truth”
 - a. Matchup criteria: 45 km, ± 30 minutes (ISD is typically every 15 minutes)
 - b. Bias, variance estimates made in 2-degree hexagonal bins, 3-day averages
2. Perform data fusion with **pySSDF**
3. Validate fused result

NOAA ISD

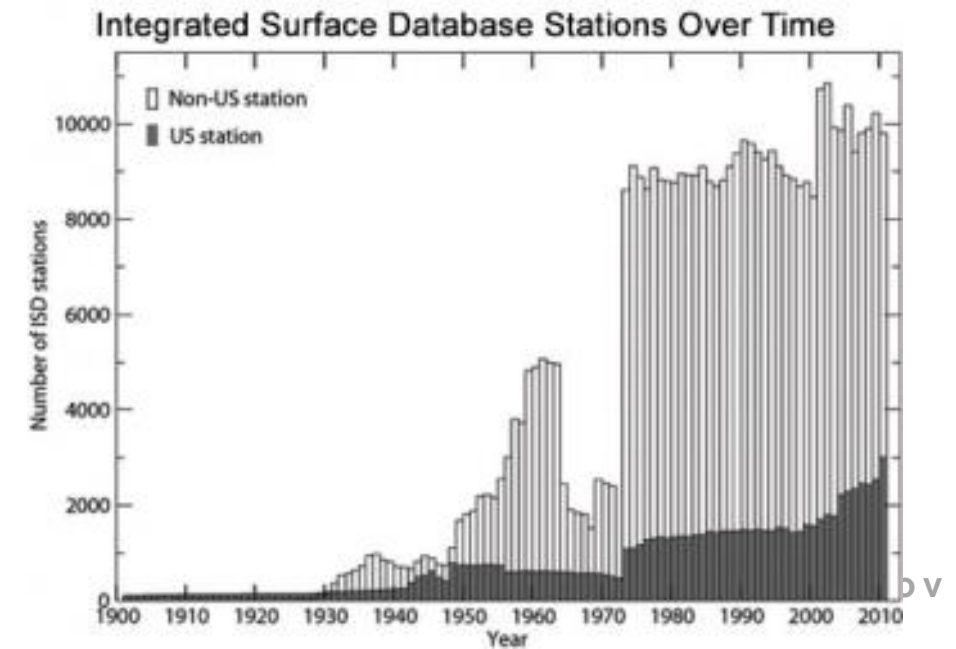
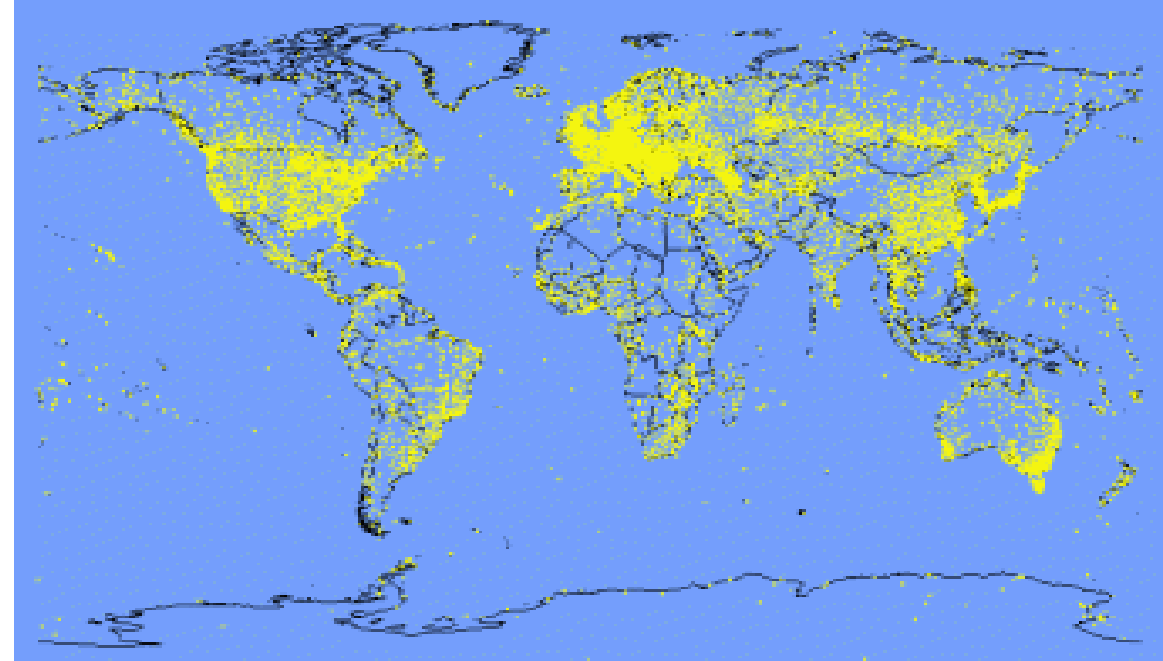
Integrated Surface Database

Rolls global hourly or sub-hourly ground station data from 100+ sources into single format.

14k active stations globally

assimilating more data sources, extending record spatially and temporally

<https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/isd>



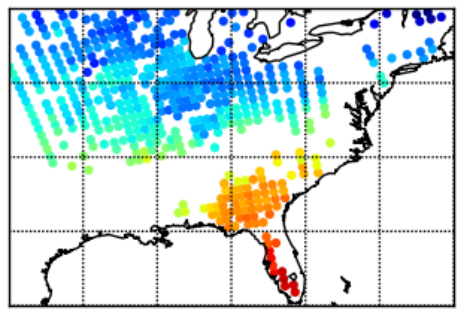
Sample results

We have experimented with different sets of basis functions

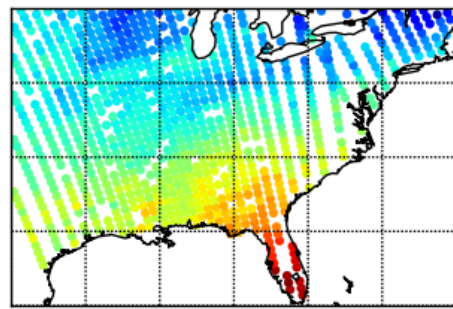
~2 hours to fuse all 8 months on one core on weather

20130102 day

AIRS

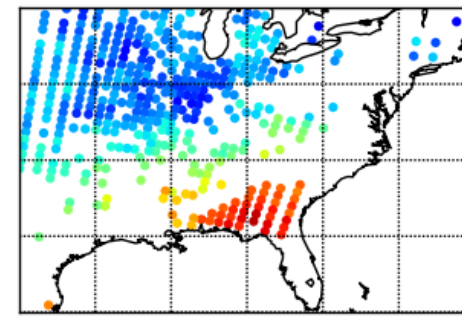


CHART

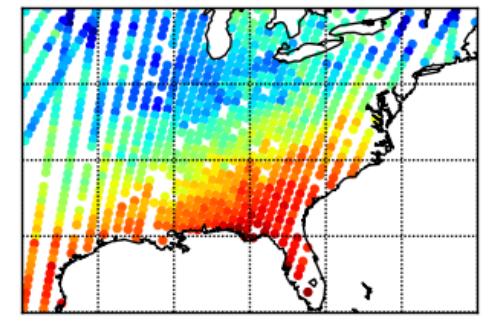


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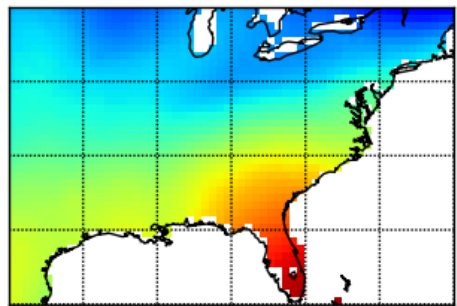
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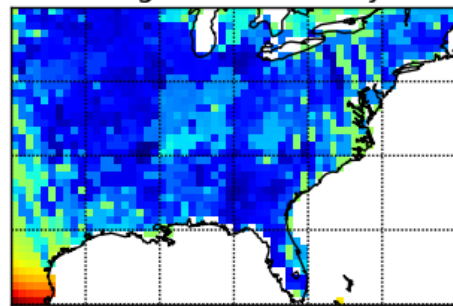
CHART



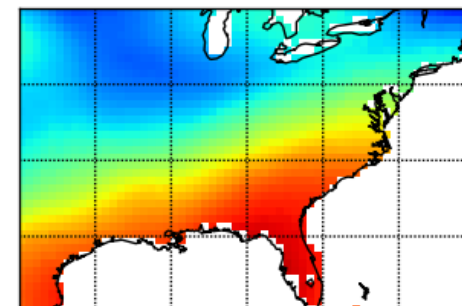
Fused



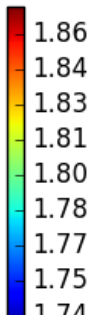
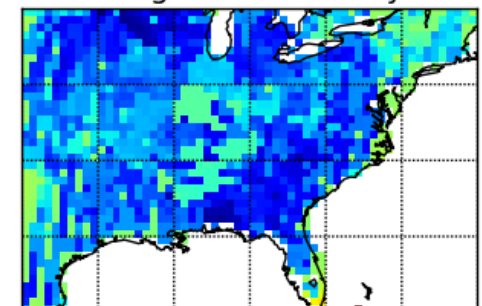
1-sigma uncertainty



Fused

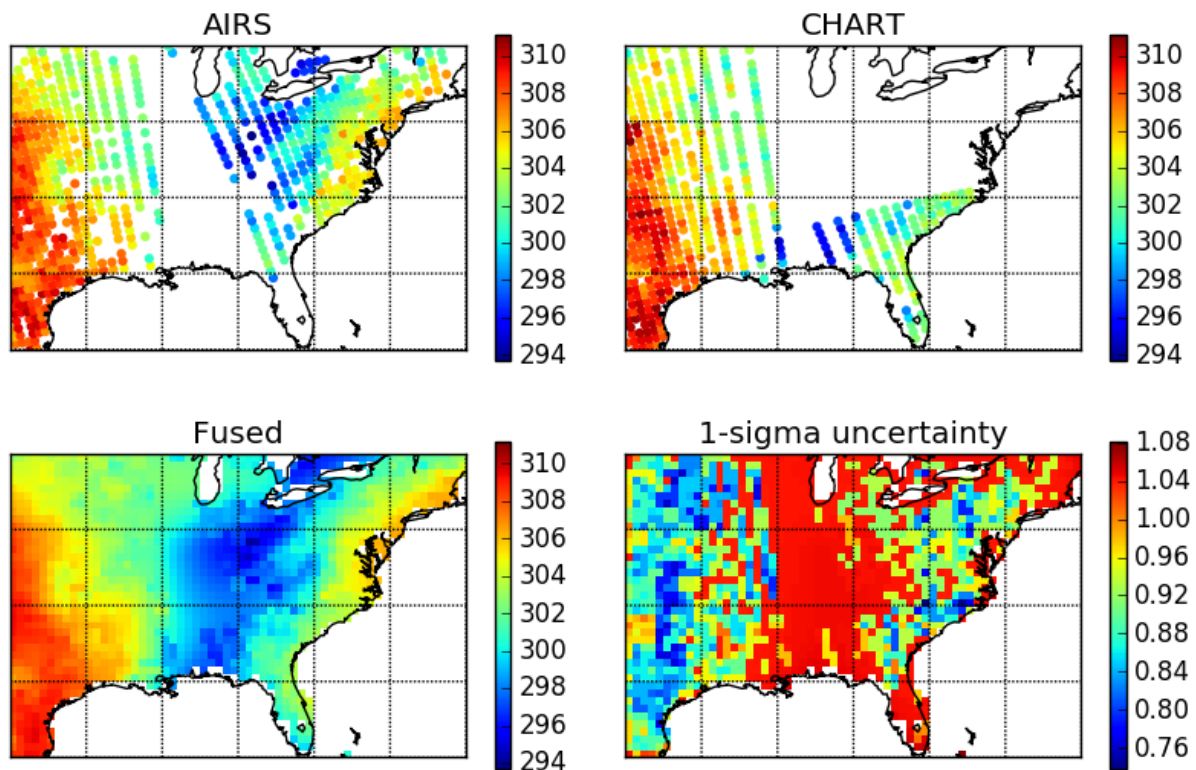


1-sigma uncertainty

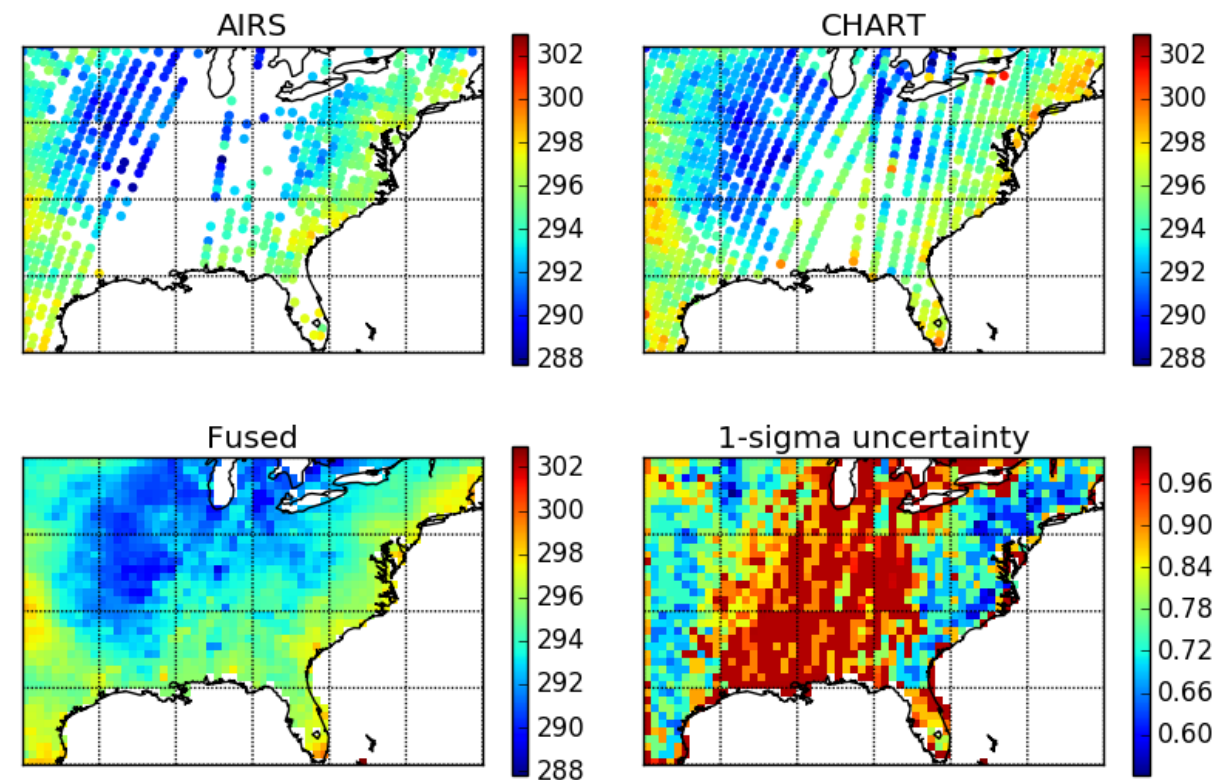


Sample results

20130705 day

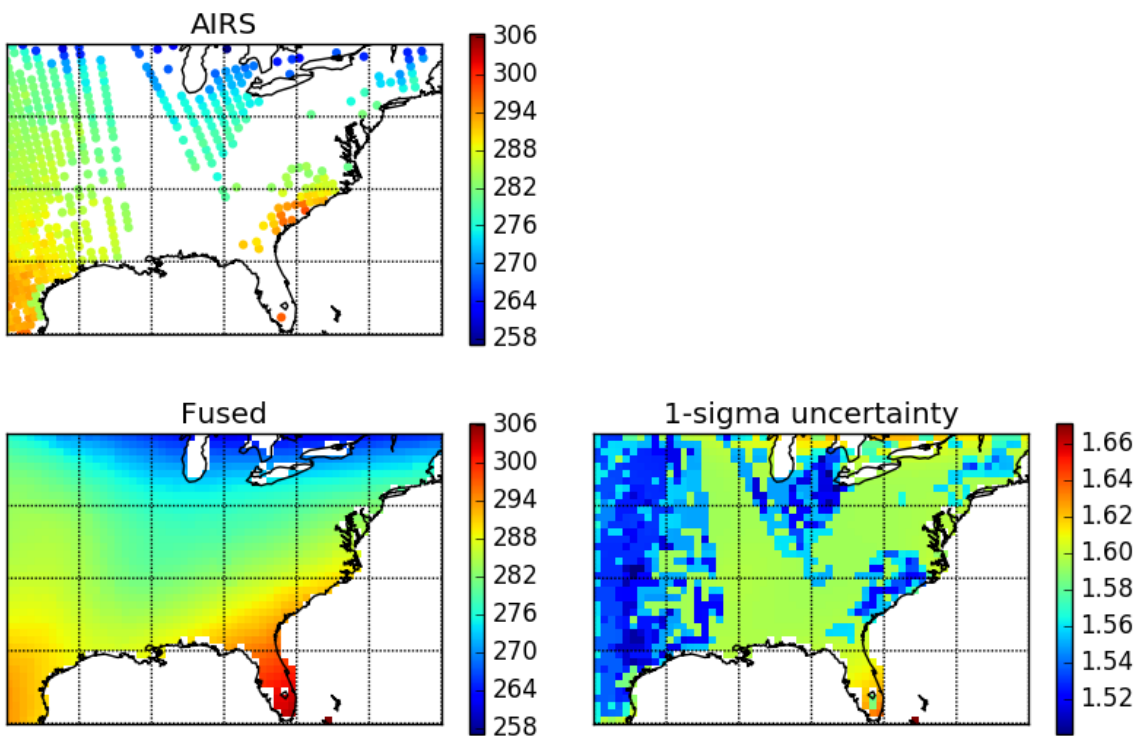


20130705 night

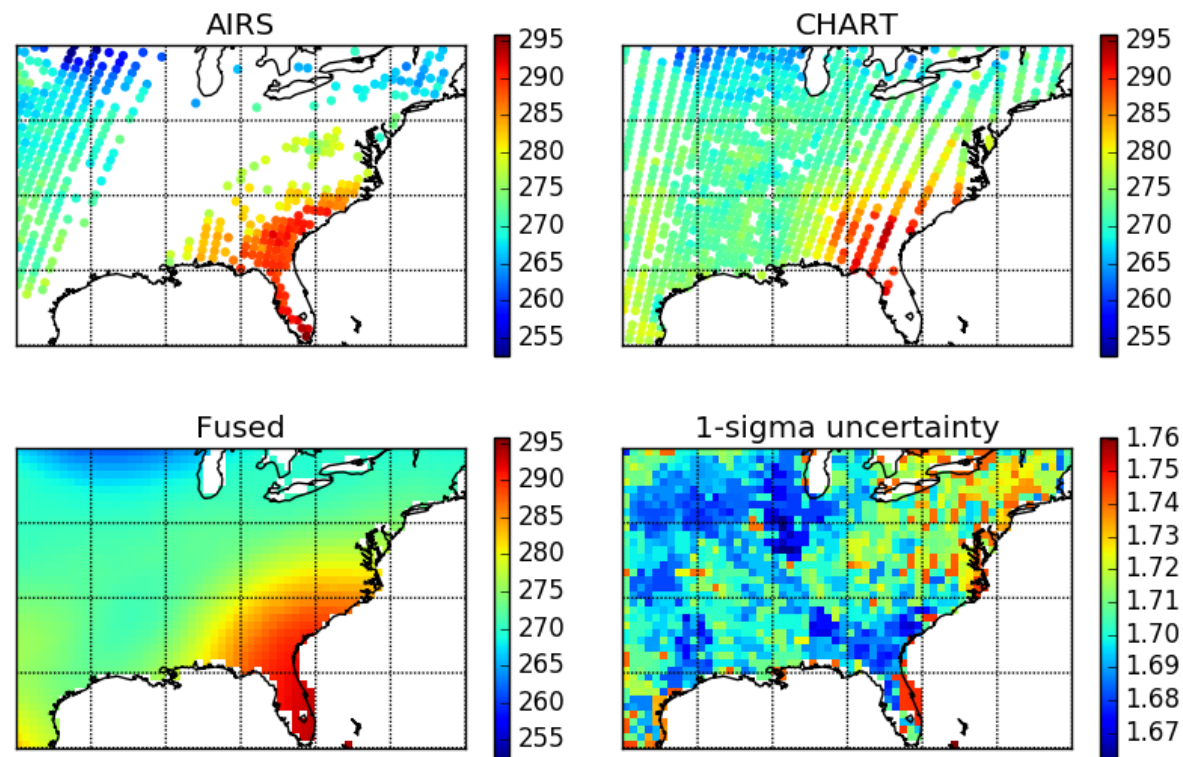


Sample results

20130117 day

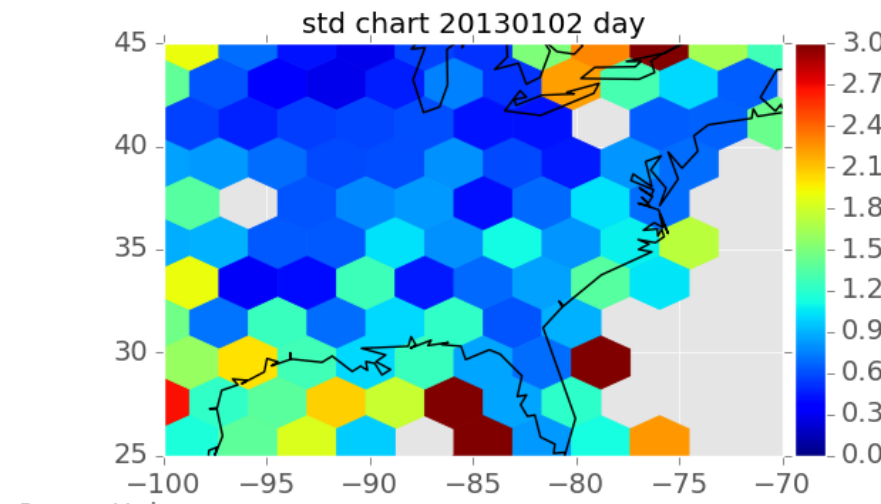
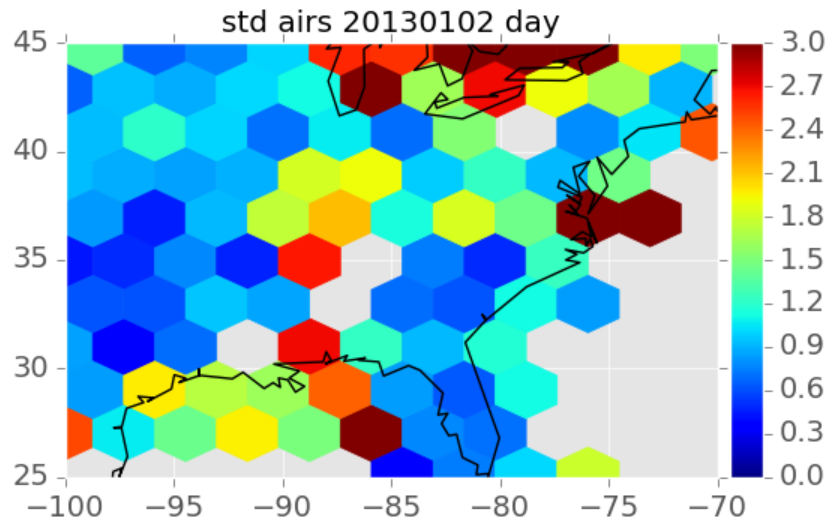
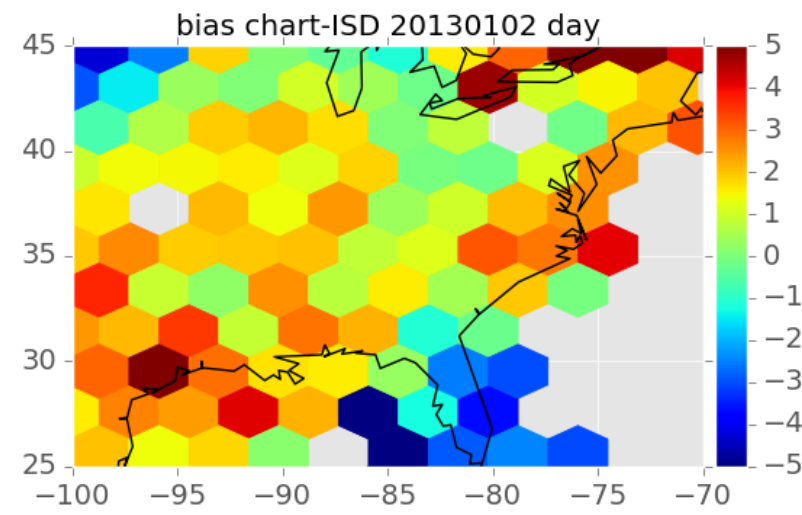
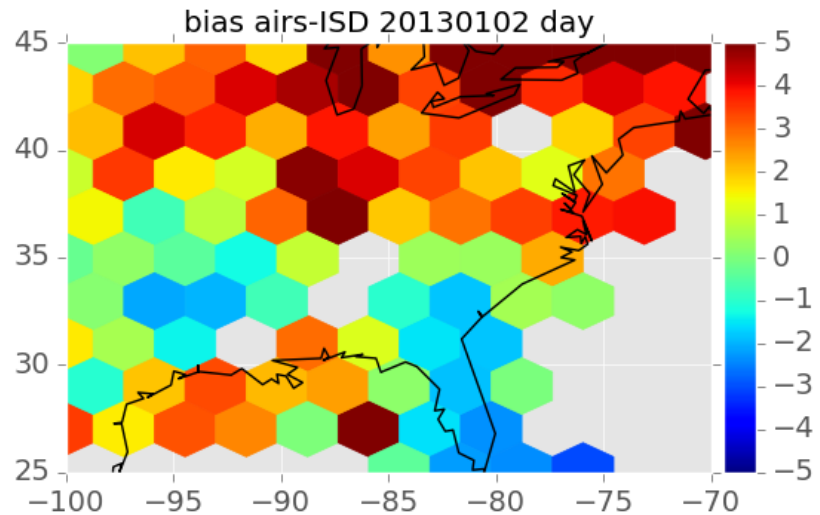


20130117 night

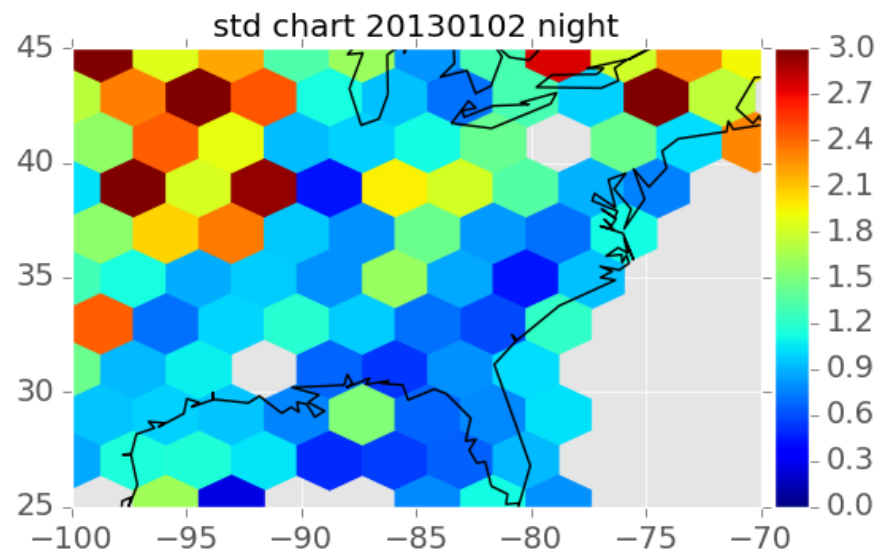
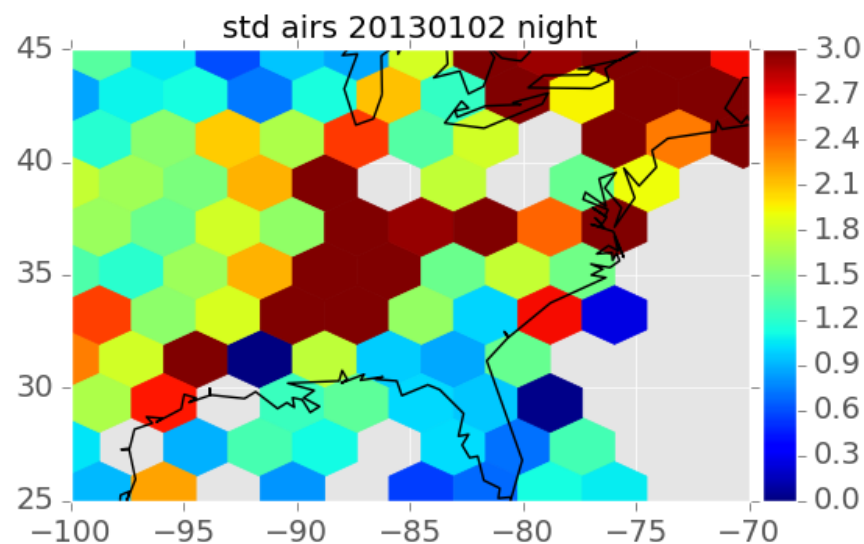
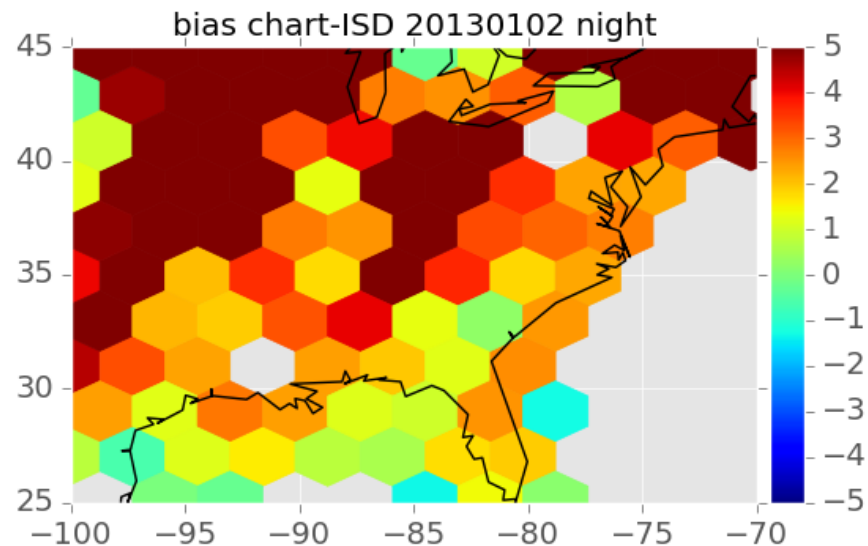
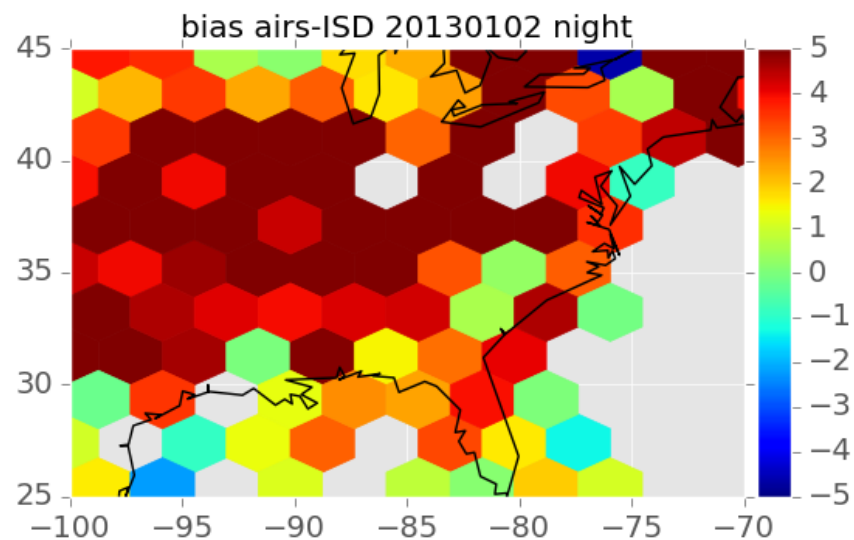


Sample biases and variances

3-day averages (day / night separate), 2° hex grid



Sample biases and variances



Time window for bias estimate affects results

Mean values over all 8 months

monthly

bias ahrs: 0.62
bias chart: 0.58
bias fused: **0.14**

std ahrs: 2.55
std chart : 2.93
std fused: **2.56**

7-day

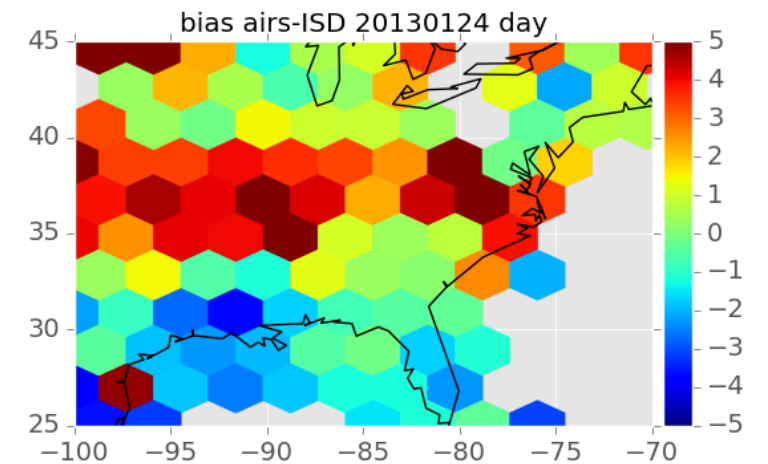
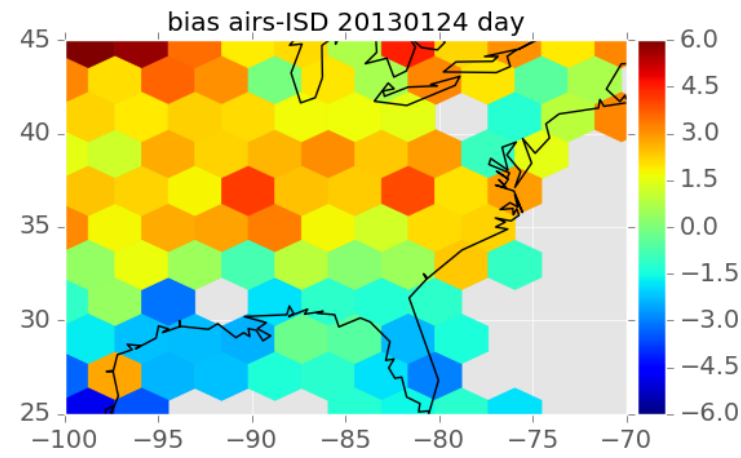
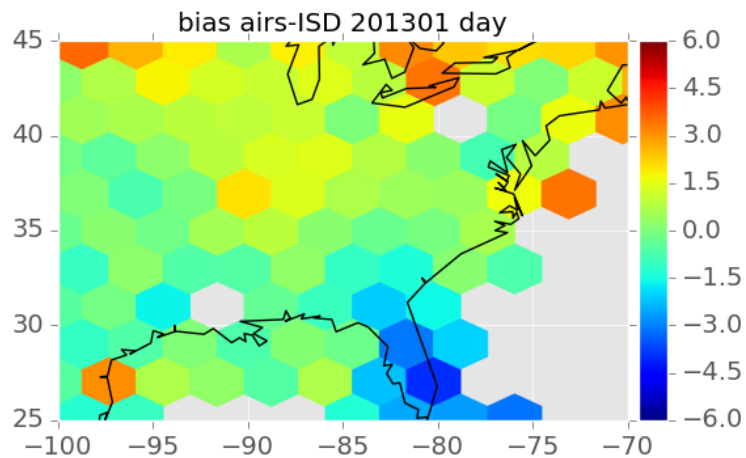
bias ahrs: 0.63
bias chart : 0.57
bias fused: **0.12**

std ahrs: 2.56
std chart : 2.94
std fused: **2.45**

3-day

bias ahrs: 0.62
bias chart : 0.58
bias fused: **0.13**

std ahrs: 2.56
std chart : 2.94
std fused: **2.25**



Conclusion

Basic NST AIRS+CHART fused product is ready (modulo finalizing validation):

1. Significantly reduces bias; also reduces variance.
2. Produces estimates even over data gaps (with higher uncertainties).
3. Produces uncertainty estimates.
4. Fusion calculation is fast.

Future work:

- Near surface humidity
- Compare to climatological products: HadCRUT4 (monthly), BEST (daily)
- Explore potential for UQ to improve bias, variance estimates
- Add satellites
- Because ISD is global, it would be possible to do global land analysis